



SHHH-NJ Statement in Support of the Movie Captioning Settlement  
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The New Jersey State Association of Self Help for Hard of Hearing People (SHHH-NJ) applauds the New Jersey Attorney General Peter C. Harvey, the N.J. Division of Civil Rights, and the N.J. Division of Deaf and Hard of Hearing, for their successful groundbreaking efforts in making more captioned movies available to people with hearing loss in this state. While assistive listening systems, required in all movie theaters by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), address the needs of many hard of hearing people, there are still many others who cannot fully benefit from these systems and require captioning to understand spoken language. This captioned movie settlement is a triumphant first step in ensuring that people with all degrees of hearing loss are no longer excluded from attending the movies. We at SHHH-NJ encourage all people with hearing loss to make full use of these new captioned movie facilities when they become available and look forward to the day when all movie theaters will provide captions at all showings.

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